



David and the Ark of the Covenant

Wearing a linen ephod, David was dancing before the Lord with all his might, while he and all Israel were bringing up the ark of the Lord with shouts and the sound of trumpets. 2 Samuel 6:14-15

From ancient times, the Ark of the Covenant was the place where the presence of God dwelt. The Israelites believed it was much more than symbolic; they believed that something truly of God actually inhabited the space right above the Ark. It was treated with great reverence and handled carefully. For a long time the Ark had been somewhat neglected because people were afraid that God's presence would cause them harm.

In this scripture we see how King David is different. God's presence does not terrify him, rather he will do whatever he can to be close to God. So David collects the Ark and transports it to Jerusalem. It is easy to imagine that the people would be hesitant to be too close to the Ark. In response, David wants all to know that God is for Israel and he is their God, and that is something to be celebrated. David dances in a joyous procession, allaying fears and encouraging worship.

As Christians sent into the world we also have a responsibility to proclaim the love and grace of God to people who are reluctant to be close to him. As was the case in David's time, today many do not understand the heart of God and put themselves a safe distance away. It is our calling to go to them, with the presence of God so that God and people can be close. May we be as joyful as David in this mission. *Pastor Greg* 



# What's Happening In Our Community

## Dwelling in the Word

#### THURSDAY AUGUST 5,12,19,26 5.30 TO 8.00PM

Guest speaker Ruth Olsen will present four sessions: "Dwelling in God's Word" For more information, please visit www.gglc.org.au

Admission is \$5 per person per session (includes meal)

Registration is required to assist with catering Please visit bit.ly/dwellGGLC to register





COME ALONG AND BE FED PHYSICALLY AND SPIRITUALLY!



### **SALT FACTORY IS 21!**

COME CELEBRATE WITH US / AUGUST 15TH 5:30PM MEAL/ 6:30PM SERVICE

**NO MORNING SERVICE REGISTRATIONS ARE ESSENTIAL** BOOK NOW AT BIT.LY/SF21GGLC

Please Note There Will Be No Morning Service 15th August **Registrations are essential for Salt Factory Celebration** Book Now at https://bit.ly/SF21GGLC

BOOK ONLINE

**GGLC Fundraising Event** GGLC is fundraising by "sausage sizzle" at Tea Tree Plaza on Saturday July 17 from 9am to 2:30pm Come along and show your support to our volunteers!



Ros Pers for Sunday 18th July

Salt Factory **Discussion Sunday** 

> July 11 Service 6.30pm No Meal



### **Kids at Heart**

During Terms 3 and 4 Lisa Pena will be planning the weekly activities for Kids at Heart.

Volunteers are required to supervise and assist the children during these sessions at Church each week. To share the load during this time plans are underway to set up a weekly roster. Please contact Ruth Zimmermann if you are willing to help in this area.



#### **GGLC Café Connect**

**Closed Over School Holidays Re-opening Monday 19th July!!** 

Our Café is in need of more volunteers!!

Many options available-morning shifts, afternoon shifts, weekly, fortnightly, Sunday's—we are flexible!!

Please contact Robert or Pastor Greg for more information.

#### **GGLC Day Connect Group**

**Next Day Connect Group Meeting** 

Due to the school holidays in July & Rosalie being away there will only be one get together in July. It is on: **\*Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July** in the church meeting room from 10am- 11:30am.

> If you are unwell please do not attend. Love to see you there. All welcome.

Contact Rosalie Hoklas on 0475 434 407 or the church office for more information.

	ΡΑ	Power Point	9.30 am Livestreaming 6.30 pm Leader	Music Group	Greeters	Assistants with HC	9.30 am Café  Salt Factory Café	9.30 am Reader Flowers	9.30am Prayers Devotion	Church Cleaning ———— Salt Factory Catering
Sunday 9.30am Service	Schutz	Schutz	Mark Rawolle	Jacquie Schutz	Sue Fielke & Marty Seidel	Graeme Hoklas & Allen Kupke	Mills & Jenny Canavese	Annelise Barry	Pastor	School
6.30pm Salt Factory	Vicki Kahl	Kendall Kahl	Joel Schiller		Lee Norrey		lvan Schmocker	Jenny Rawolle	Pastor	

#### LUTHERAN **SOUTH AUSTRALIA** NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

The 2021 District Convention of Synod was held at the Barossa Arts & Convention Centre, Tanunda May 15-16. Rosalie Hoklas has been reporting on the various ministries that the LCA and SA/NT District presented during Synod. This is one way that our delegate can raise your awareness and hopefully you will go to the relevant websites to find out more information.

#### **1. Aboriginal Ministry** South Australia (AbMinSA) - David Kuss

Several areas are very active in this ministry. Aim is to resource the people. Requires people one on one.

Ferryden Park with Pastor Leon Rosenberg come for medical • reasons with family & cared for in a special way.

THE HOPE WE HAVE

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- Pastor Peter Miller & Ivan Christian through the hospitals. Ivan speaks the language & has a very special connection
- Pt Lincoln with Rev Rob Shubert through prison ministry & as • chaplain of the Mallee Park Football Club
- St Pauls Ceduna, Redeemer at Koonibba
- Yalata. Lindsay Thomas is now ordained.
- Ladies ministry & camps continue

#### 3. Aged Care – Delton Schiller

The Lutheran Church in South Australia has established several retirement villages and aged-care facilities that support the church's ministry to all elderly people.

- Great resource the booklet "God's love our care". Several copies available from church Office- see Robert.
- What makes our aged care places different? •
- Many unchurched people working for us
- Following the Royal Commission we are waiting for money to carry out the recommendations
- All our facilities are in good shape and most are experiencing growth
- Opportunity for career paths such as nurses, domestic, for our church people
- Loxton is opening a chapel & wellbeing area
- Tanunda is purchasing property
- The village community of these homes was greatly valued during Covid19 times when family couldn't be there.



#### LCA SA/NT Specific Ministries—Part 2

#### 2. Lutheran disability services – John van



Ruth (CEO) https://www.ldssa.org.au/ FOCUS: Our clients are front and centre of everything we do. We help you to achieve your life goals,

- participate in the community and have a happy home.
- Check out their very informative & colourful web site.
- We are Faithful, Empowering, Excellent & Fun
- Began 30years ago to support people with disabilities.
- Every person is loved and gifted by God. Not broken but • different.
- ٠ Creating a space for them to thrive.
- 76 clients, 45 homes
- Future vision is to develop disability appropriate • accommodation, developing a cluster of houses
- Helping them to belong in the community -such as community gardens, men's shed and Gwen's Kitchen

#### 4. Lutheran Education SA/NT/WA – John Proeve

#### http://www.lesnw.edu.au

There are currently 46 learning communities educating over 15,000 students and employing over 2000 staff that are represented by Lutheran Education South Australia, Northern Territory and Western Australia



Education

- Growing community better together
- Nurture the expression of GRACE as a reflection of God's unconditional love through JESUS (we are inclusive)
- Holistic learning that serves others & enhances the world
  - Strengthening the agility & sustainability of learning communities
- Equipping governance & leadership for the emerging future
- Principals are spiritual leaders
- The constitution review (governance) & accreditation of staff is ongoing
- We need to understand the current reality before we can move forward, therefore need to keep an open mind
- To proclaim and share the good news of the saving grace of Christ.



nas been transitioning our name and brand identity from Lutheran Community Care to Lutheran Care. Although our name will change, our commitment to our values, vision and

mission will not change. Ours will continue to be a powerful and persistent voice for the voiceless. Check out the web site for an explanation of the new logo.

Lutheran Care is delighted to be the lead agency of the new Toward Home Alliance. With our Alliance partners, which include some of the most experienced agencies working in the homelessness sector, we will be tackling the many challenges of homelessness in the Adelaide City and Southern region. We thank the State Government for trusting us with this amazing opportunity and look forward to working with them and our dedicated partners to provide tailored support and intervention to people at risk of and experiencing homelessness. Check out the web site with more info on this project.

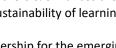
https://www.lccare.org.au/toward-home/

- A shift from crisis care to intervention helping to prevent people from going into crisis.
- Need for volunteers how can you help?
- 4 Strategic pillars- \*\*Excellence in Service Delivery; \*\*People & Wellbeing; \*\*Enabling Technology; \*\*Financial Sustainability & Growth.
- Provide a sense of hope with what we are doing.

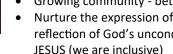


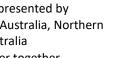


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Help Fill Our Pantry Each day Lutheran Care work with people who have faced a major crisis, such as the

loss of a job, which in turn means they cannot afford food for the night or the upcoming weekend. Through Emergency Relief they provide people with emergency supplies of food and support them with referrals to financial counselling, support groups, personal counselling or services with other providers. The donation of food items is greatly appreciated and allows them to offer a more diverse range of support services to the community. Boxes are always in the Foyer waiting to be filled!

During July, we are collecting donations of Pasta Sauce, Tinned Soups, Cereal & Pillows.

#### Thank You For Your Generous Support!!

#### Friends of Lutheran Archives

#### URGENT! Change of Guest Speaker!

The Friends of Lutheran Archives has needed to postpone to 2022 the previously advertised guest speaker for the July meeting because of COVID restrictions. Our new speaker will be **Trevor Schaefer, a Librarian at Australian Lutheran College. His talk will highlight the collection of Rare Books held at the Lohe Library.** This will be a Virtual Peek at ALC's Rare Books Collection. The library has a wonderful collection of over 2000 Rare Books, some dating back to the time of Luther. Some of the books are in excellent condition and others are just holding together. Just as interesting is the story of provenance, or who owned a book previously, and how it came to be in this library.

> July 19th, 7.30 pm at Bethlehem House in the city. Suggested donation \$4-\$5. All welcome, supper provided.



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